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SUBJECT: NGUZA'S VISIT TO ROK

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1. ZAIRE'S STATE COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
NGUZA KARL-I-BOND VISITED ROK NOVEMBER 13-16,
CALLED ON PRESIDENT PARK AND PRIMIN KIM AND HELD
TALKS WITH ACTING FONMIN YUN SUK HEUN AND OTHER
ROKG OFFICIALS. APPARENTLY MORE SOCIAL THAN
SUBSTANTIVE, VISIT PRODUCED A NONCOMMITAL COMMUNIQUE,
A TRADE AGREEMENT, AND AN INVITATION TO FONMIN
KIM YONG SHIK TO VISIT ZAIRE. MOFA ACCEPTED THE
INVITATION, WITH TIMING OF THE VISIT TO BE
WORKED OUT IN THE FUTURE.

2. ALTHOUGH NGUZA'S STAY IN THE ROK WAS OVERSHADOWED
BY THE SECRETARY'S NOVEMBER 16 VISIT TO SEOUL,
MOFA CONSIDERS THE ZAIRIANS' VISIT A SUCCESS.
ACCORDING TO MOFA, THE ZAIRIANS WERE IMPRESSED
WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE ROK AND EVEN
MORE WITH UNSPARING ROK HOSPITALITY, AND MOFA
OFFICIALS WERE IMPRESSED WITH NGUZA.

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3. ONLY UNSATISFACTORY PART OF VISIT FROM ROK POINT OF VIEW WAS ZAIRIAN REFUSAL TO INCLUDE IN JOINT COMMUNIQUE AN EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT BY ZAIRE FOR ROK EFFORTS AT UNIFICATION OF KOREA. ACCORDING TO MOFA AFRICAN DIVISION CHIEF KIM OK MIN, NGUZA INSISTED THAT ZAIRE MUST ADHERE TO NON-ALIGNED POSITION, AND AFTER SEVERAL HOURS OF NEGOTIATION THE ROK SIDE SETTLED FOR LANGUAGE WHICH NOTED THAT YUN HAD EXPLAINED THE ROK JUNE 23 FOREIGN POLICY STATEMENT AND THAT NGUZA HAD ASSURED YUN OF ZAIRE'S CONTINUOUS SUPPORT "FOR THE PEACE AND REUNIFICATION OF KOREA". COMMUNIQUE ALSO NOTES THAT YUN EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE FRIENDLY CONCERN AND UNDERSTANDING ON THE KOREA QUESTION EXPRESSED BY PRESIDENT MOBUTU IN NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 4.

4. NGUZA AND YUN ALSO INITIALLED A TRADE AGREEMENT, WITH DETAILS TO BE WORKED OUT LATER, AND AGREED TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. KIM TOLD EMBOFF THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE LITTLE ROK CAN BUY FROM ZAIRE AND MOFA DOES NOT EXPECT THE TWO COUNTRIES TO HAVE A VERY EXTENSIVE ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP.

5. AFTER LEAVING SEOUL FOR HONG KONG, NGUZA ARRIVED IN PYONGYANG ON NOVEMBER 18 AND WAS MET BY NORTH KOREAN FONMIN HO DAM.
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